

HIGHER PRICES FOR SUGAR NOW EXPERT BELIEF

Old Law of Supply and Demand
at Work, Says Truman
G. Palmer

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal.—The following communication is self-explanatory and sets forth the real reason why sugar continues to advance:

"The press of the country is publishing numerous guesses which are assigned as reasons for the present increase in the price of sugar. The following article from the New York Herald of March 21, gives the real economic reason and if your local press has not correctly informed their readers this might be used to advantage. The Herald's sub-head tells the whole story.

"The old law of supply and demand is responsible for far more than is attributed to it. Respectfully,
"TRUMAN G. PALMER."

No Limit in Sight for Sugar Prices.

To what price sugar may rise to one would make a guess yesterday in the sugar district. The world situation affecting that food staple is unprecedented. In general terms, the world, outside of Germany, Austria and their allies, wants 4,000,000 tons of sugar. The sugar in sight amounts to only about 3,000,000 tons. The sugar crop of Cuba is the largest in its history. Planting of cane was stimulated by the high prices and the weather has made this a favorable growing season. With all these conditions the total Cuban crop cannot exceed 3,000,000 tons.

In ordinary conditions a crop of that size in Cuba would mean refined sugar at 3½¢ a pound wholesale in this country. The price of sugar yesterday at wholesale was 7¢ a pound. This refers to fine granulated sugar, the basis of price for refined sugars and the staple of that commodity as sold for consumption.

Price will take its usual part in controlling the equalization of supply and demand should sugar continue to rise. Ten cents a pound is freely predicted, especially in the western part of this country, where wholesalers have been expecting that increase for some weeks. If sugar goes to 10¢ its excessive cost to the consumer will result in greater economy in its use. In the sugar market district here this natural equalization was the subject of discussion as a principal check on a continued rise in price.

That sugar is likely to go higher was a general impression near the fort of Wall street, where are collected the offices of the great refineries, the brokers and the experts of all kinds in the sugar trade.

The war is the cause of the prices. England in 1915 consumed 1,900,000 tons of sugar. The campaign for reduction of consumption of luxuries there is expected to reduce that amount to 1,500,000 tons this year. England has bought 400,000 tons of raw sugar in Cuba, and about 100,000 tons of refined sugar here. Experts calculate that England will want 1,250,000 tons more, which must come out of the current crop of Cuba, calculated at 3,000,000 tons. She will supply her allies.

German and Austria supplied the greater part of the sugar consumed in England, Switzerland and other European countries before the war. They do not supply any of it now, and that means withdrawal from the world's supply, outside of the Teutonic countries, of more than a million tons a year.

Cuba Cane Sugar Corporation Refuses to Sell Sugar.

New York Commercial, March 28:—With half of its 1916 production disposed of the Cuba Cane Sugar Corporation yesterday declined an offer for the remainder of the out-turn of the present campaign, according to reports in sugar circles, although the offer carried with it payment for the entire 1,700,000 to 2,000,000 bags at the current price of raw sugar, which is 4½¢ a pound. As the sugar averages about seven bags to the ton the transaction would bring \$20,000,000 to the Cuba Cane Sugar Corporation, but would require a heavier outlay on the part of the buyer, as the quotation of 4½¢ a pound includes only costs and freight to New York. Duty and other expenses would bring the total to 5.88¢ a pound.

FOUR HUNDRED DANCE AT ARMORY MASK BALL

Four hundred persons, half of whom were in masquerade costume, attended the big dance held at the National Guard armory last Saturday night. Music furnished by the Royal Hawaiian Glee Club was much enjoyed, and the floor was in good shape for dancing. Receipts from the dance went toward the furnishing of the enlisted men's club rooms at the armory.

As a part in the movement of people of the United States to erect a \$2,000,000 memorial for the late Booker T. Washington: boys of the 25th Infantry, Schofield Barracks, have raised \$125, and are planning to further increase the fund next pay day. Chaplain O. J. W. Scott has charge of the contributions for the memorial, which will be in the form of a beautiful building rather than a mere monument of stone. Booker T. Washington died November 14, 1915.

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ARMY & NAVY SIGNAL COMPANY OF GUARD GIVEN DRILL QUARTERS

Room in Old Armory Fitted Out
For Capt. Noggle's Men
to Use

With the assignment today of one-half of the old armory as permanent headquarters, the signal company of the National Guard, under command of Capt. R. L. Noggle, takes a distinct step in its work.

Since January 17, when the organization was effected, the signal company has been hampered by lack of quarters in which to carry on its work and store its apparatus. Despite this fact the men have drilled faithfully at infantry work and elementary signaling.

Within the new quarters will be placed, as it arrives from time to time, all the heavy equipment that goes along with the signal service. This equipment includes reel carts, flash lanterns, wire, wagons and wireless and telegraph apparatus.

Though the regular drill will be held tonight in the armory as usual, company electricians are to be put to work in the new quarters rewiring them for signal work.

Among the company's list of members are names of some of the best electricians and wireless operators in the city, according to Capt. Noggle. 1st Lieut. R. R. Carlisle holds the highest rated license of any operator in the West, says the captain.

The company will have a part in the big military tournament, which is to be held here on June 11, and will put through some work to show what they have accomplished so far in signaling. It is probable that Brig.-gen. Samuel I. Johnson will be asked to write out a message, which will be sent out, relayed, and returned to the general by a messenger on a motorcycle.

MAJOR LENIHAN WILL SPEAK AT AD CLUB LUNCH

Maj. M. Lenihan, 2nd Infantry, will be a speaker at the Ad Club on Wednesday, his subject being "National Guard Needs." Maj. Lenihan is a staunch friend of the National Guard and thoroughly informed on the local situation. He will speak with especial reference to the completion of Puncbowel rifle range and camp site, emphasizing the fact that with this site finished, not only the guard but a citizen training body could be given ideal accommodations. Puncbowel has splendid possibilities for a camp of the Plattsbury type.

The Ad Club committee on "What to Do for the Soldier" is expected to report. The plans of the Sunset Magazine for a special number devoted principally to Hawaii will be discussed and the Kamehameha Maie Quartet will disseminate music.

FORT SHAFTER NOTES

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence.)
FORT SHAFTER, April 22.—The regular dance given by the Ladies Auxiliary of the Spanish War Veterans at Mansfield was postponed this week as the date falls on Good Friday. These dances are becoming very popular and are particularly well attended both from the post and from Honolulu, so it was decided to postpone the event until Easter week.

Upon the recommendations of their respective company commanders the following appointments and promotions have been made at the fort in the 2nd Infantry:

Company C—Lance Corporal Arthur Davidson to be corporal, vice Biles, furloughed and transferred to the army reserve.

Company E—To be corporals, Lance Corporal Walter Brown, vice Fraenkle promoted, and Lance Corporal Lewis Hoffman, vice Long promoted.

To be sergeants, Corporal Henry J. Fraenkle, vice Harris, furloughed, and transferred to the army reserve.

Corporal Benjamin T. Long, vice Schultz, furloughed, and transferred to the army reserve.

Corporal Elmer F. Rough, vice St. Johns, furloughed, and transferred to the army reserve.

Company G—To be corporal, Lance Corporal James H. McDonald, vice Montgomery, furloughed, and transferred to the army reserve.

Company K—To be sergeant, Corporal Hugh B. Gendall, vice Carlton, furloughed, and transferred to the army reserve.

Sergeant Harry Brown, Company G, 2nd Infantry, was ordered to Schofield Barracks on Thursday to appear as a witness before a summary court which convened at the 1st Field Artillery headquarters.

MANSFIELD CAMP DANCE.

Mansfield Camp, U. S. W. V. No. 2, will give a dance tonight at its hall on Nottley street. A bus will meet cars at Kamehameha IV road between 7:30 and 8:30 for the convenience of guests from Honolulu. This being Easter Monday, special music will be provided for the occasion. Come and bring your friends.

GUARD TROOPS DRILL FOR BIG MILITARY DAY

Consistent drill is now being carried on by companies of the 1st Infantry, National Guard, in anticipation of the big military contest to be held on May 14, and preliminary to the final contest on Kamehameha Day, June 11.

Three battalions are hard at work on the various stunts for the contest, such as wall scaling, blanket rolling, bayonet drill, setting-up exercises, shoe races and close order drill.

Prizes will be awarded the two best companies in each battalion, and these six companies will then go into drill for Kamehameha Day. The prizes consist of loving cups with the names of the winners engraved upon them. The cups are now on display in Wickman & Company's jewelry store. Most of the drill on May 14 will be held inside the armory, and it is probable that admission will be charged. There is a bare possibility that some of the work may have to be done on May 13, but this is not known definitely as yet.

Personal Mention

CUSHMAN CARTER, who is visiting on the mainland, was in Sierra Madre, California, when last heard from.

CONSUL-GENERAL HON. ROKU, RO MOROI, who has finished an inspection of the Japanese schools, newspaper offices, sake breweries and factories of the city, will visit several public schools of Honolulu this week.

MISS DULCIE FOSTER, a niece of Capt. William R. Foster, the harbor-master, has left for her home in Newcastle, New South Wales. Her father is American consul there. Miss Foster has been living with relatives here and on the mainland.

HON. THOMAS B. STUART, third Judge of the local circuit court, will leave next Wednesday morning for a tour of Hawaii and Maui. Judge Stuart will be accompanied by Chester

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MILLION GALLONS OF WATER A DAY SAVED FOR CITY

More than a million gallons of water a day is being saved for use by the city this summer by the closing of leaks in the outlet to No. 4 reservoir. Another million gallons may be saved if it is found possible to repair all of the leaks.

Investigation of the condition of the reservoir, made as a result of the agitation to divert the waters of Hillebrand Glen into it, revealed the loss of more than 2,000,000 gallons a day, through leaks in the outlet. Work on the repairs started this week, and a number of leaks have been closed up. The work is still going on and it is hoped by Harry Murray, head of the water department, that they will all be closed by the end of this week.

Water that leaks from the pipe line runs into the lower reservoirs, but these are not of sufficient capacity to retain it. They overflow and the water is lost. Now the flow from No. 4 can be regulated and there will be no loss, providing all of the leaks can be fixed.

The discovery that the reservoir leaks can be repaired combats effectively one argument of the foes of the Hillebrand project—that the water to be diverted from the Glen, at an estimated cost of \$20,000, would not be a saving to the city, for it would all be lost through leaks in the outlet.

Doyle, court interpreter.

CPL. JOSEPH WIRASNIK, Battery A, 1st Field Artillery, is now lying seriously injured in the hospital at Schofield Barracks as the result of an explosion which took place when he tried to file into a detonating fuse which he had picked up in the vicinity of the target practise headquarters. Metal from the fuse pierced the corporal's arm and abdomen.

PEACOCK & COMPANY ARE TO CLOSE ONE HILO STORE

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence.)
HILO, April 21.—In future there will only be one business house of Peacock & Co. in Hilo. The front street branch, which was established after

the Honolulu Brewing and Malting Company was bought out, has been abandoned by Peacock & Co. and the whole of the Hilo business will be run from the Bridge street office.

Out at Honokaa there have been changes made also and John Payne, who was manager of the branch of the Peacock business here, has resigned and gone into business on his own be-

half. Former Manager Conrad of the Front street branch of the firm goes to Honokaa to take charge.

The reason for closing the Front street branch is given out to be the very evident fact that there was hardly any necessity to run two establishments in Hilo, which had to pay two licenses, two rents and two clerical and other forces.

Frank Moran was arrested and fined \$25 at Long Island City for speeding in his racing auto with Pearl White, movie actress.

Clothing manufacturers in Glasgow have been asked to submit bids on 30,000 yards of army khaki cloth for a neutral government.

Sewing Week

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